Ltd., the provisions of Section 30B of the MRTP Act are applicable.

(d) Does not arise.

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Funds for Ezimala Naval Academy

6049. SHRI RAMESH CHENNITHALA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated for the Ezimala Naval Academy in Kerala till now; and

(b) the steps being taken by the Government for the early completion of the institution?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARD PAWAR): (a) and (b). A sum of Rs.1.00 crore has so far been spent and further amount of Rs.2.50 crores has been provided for the Project during the current financial yea (1991-92) for undertaking soil investigations, geo-tech studies and other preliminary activities. Action is in hand for the preparation of the Master Plan/Detailed Project Report.

331 Taxation

Taxes due against Cochin Shipyard

6050. SHRI REMESH CHENNITHALA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of tax due from Cochin Shipyard to the Government of Kerala;

(b) the reasons for non-payment of the taxes; and

(c) the steps being taken to recover the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) An amount of Rs. 11.73 crores has been claimed by the Government of Kerala from Cochin Shipyard Limited toward Sales Tax in respect of ships already delivered by them.

(b) and (c). Government of India has urged the Government of Kerala in Marc,91, in reply to their request, to exempt Cochin Shipyard from the purview of Sales Tax for ten years during which period the financial position of the Shipyard may improve.

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Job on Compassionate Grounds

6051. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the policy for employment on compassionate grounds in various defence departments;

(b) the nature of jobs which are offered on compassionate grounds; and

(c) the number of persons offered employment on this ground during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARD PAWAR): (a) Ministry of Defence follows the policy laid down by Deptt. of Personnel and Training in this regard. As per the existing policy, sons, daughters and near relatives of Government servants who die in harness are eligible for compassionate appointment. A dependent has to apply for such appointment and if it is established that the dependent and the family are in genuinely indignet circumstances, compassionate appointment is offered, subject to availability of vacancies. Such appointments can be made upto 14.5% of the sanctioned strength in Group 'C' posts and 4.5% in Group 'D' posts. In exceptional cases such appointments can exceed these percent-